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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement in the Office Action dated October 2, 2000, applicants hereby elect Species A from Group I, namely claims 2-4, 19 and 20, Species C from Group II, namely claims 10 and 26, and Species F from Group III, namely claims 14 and 30, for prosecution at this time. Applicants reserve the right to present the remaining claims in a divisional application at the appropriate time.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746.

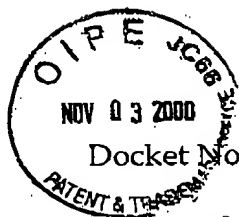
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